

Cornerstone Healthcare Group Expands Home Health Capabilities with Acquisition of Southland Home Health

DALLAS – March 7, 2019 – Cornerstone Healthcare Group (“Cornerstone”) announced today its acquisition of Southland Home Health (“Southland”), a home health company based in Phoenix, Arizona that specializes in post-acute care services, including skilled home health, palliative care, and hospice care. This acquisition into home health complements Cornerstone’s existing areas of expertise: specialty hospitals, behavior health, and senior living.

“Southland Home Health is a leading provider in Maricopa County, and we see this as an exciting opportunity to partner with great people doing great things,” said Cornerstone president and CEO Steve Jakubcanin. “We are passionate about home health and see this service line as a natural progression for our company.”

With 18 specialty hospitals nationwide, Cornerstone provides high-quality care for patients in need of longer medical stays due to multiple and complex medical conditions. In addition to its specialty hospitals, Cornerstone operates eight senior living facilities across Texas, Arkansas, and Tennessee, as well as a behavior health facility in Arizona.

Founded in 2009, Southland provides comprehensive, multidisciplinary in-home healthcare services across the greater Phoenix area. Through a team of skilled healthcare professionals, including Registered Nurses (RNs), Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs), Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs), and home health aides, Southland delivers individualized in-home care programs tailored to patients’ needs. Southland has grown to become one of the top 10 home health agencies in Maricopa County. The company will continue to operate under the Southland brand following the acquisition.

Cornerstone expects the Southland partnership to be the first of a series of acquisitions in the home health space. The company is actively seeking opportunities to acquire home healthcare businesses that provide a geographic overlay to its specialty hospitals, senior living facilities, and behavioral health operations.

About Cornerstone Healthcare Group

Cornerstone Healthcare Group Holding, Inc. is a diversified healthcare company based in Dallas, Texas, owned by funds managed by Highland Capital Management, L.P. Cornerstone's mission is to provide the highest quality, patient-focused healthcare and customer service to every patient, family member, and physician it serves. Cornerstone is comprised of three complementary business segments: Long Term Acute Care, Behavioral Health and Senior Living. As a leading provider of complex acute and post-acute care services, Cornerstone's Long Term Acute Care division operates eighteen long term acute care hospitals in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arkansas, Arizona, and West Virginia. Cornerstone Behavioral Health offers a continuum of services focused on older adults and is quickly establishing psychiatric facilities in select regions. The Behavioral Health division currently operates one facility in Arizona, with two additional hospitals planned in Texas. Cornerstone Senior Living is the owner and operator of seven communities in Texas, Arkansas and Tennessee, with plans to continue to grow its footprint within targeted markets. For more information, visit www.chghospitals.com.

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